

## MRS. BROKAW RESTS HER CASE

In Suit for Separation from Her Husband and \$60,000 a Year Alimony

### PROSPECTS FOR A RECONCILIATION

Brightened for a Moment Yesterday but Soon Faded Away—Counsel for Mr. Brokaw Had Invited the Plaintiff to the Next New Year's Cake Walk at the Brokaw Country Place, High Point, N. C.

New York, Dec. 17.—Mrs. Mary B. Brokaw, the plaintiff, rested her case today at Mineola, L. I., where she is suing for separation with alimony of \$60,000 a year from her husband, W. Conrad Brokaw, and the defense opened. Mrs. Brokaw has been her own principal witness, and there is speculation if her husband is to play a part equally prominent in the defense.

"We cannot say yet," said John P. McIntyre, Mr. Brokaw's counsel. "He may take the stand in his own behalf later."

Prospects for a reconciliation between husband and wife brightened for a moment today when Mr. McIntyre tendered Mrs. Brokaw an invitation to the next New Year's cakewalk at High Point, N. C., the Brokaw southern country place. Brokaw smiled and his wife hid her face in her fur, but during recess she denied his position as one of frank hostility.

"Mrs. Brokaw," he said, "has rejected my advances often enough. I am going to fight this suit to a finish and I am well satisfied with its advance."

Mr. Brokaw's Sister Testifies.

Mrs. H. B. Gilbert, Brokaw's sister, testified in his behalf that he and his wife were a "sweet, tender, solicitous

and loving couple." Mr. Gilbert testified that Brokaw was not a drinking man. Bagley, one of Brokaw's grocers, gave the same evidence.

**Amusing Passage at Arms.**

Mr. Gilbert had an amusing passage at arms with his sister-in-law over a point in her earlier testimony. Mrs. Brokaw had then refused to admit her use of a profane adjective as applied to a servant's berth in which she said her husband had made her sleep while crossing the Atlantic unless Mr. Gilbert would swear she used it.

"Coming around the ship's deck I met the plaintiff face to face. I lifted my hat, and she exclaimed: 'I'll do — if I occupy that berth,'" testified Gilbert today.

As he repeated the debatable adjective Mr. Gilbert looked at the plaintiff. She nodded her head and smiled. So did Justice Putnam as she made good her word.

**Momentary Flutter in Court Room.**

A crank with a wild story of bribed witnesses threw a momentary flutter into the court decorum during the afternoon session. Officers led him away, while counsel for both sides agreed that his charges were baseless.

## "WHITE SLAVE" BILL REPORTED

Substitute Measure for Suppression of Traffic Before the House.

Washington, Dec. 17.—A bill aiming at the complete suppression of the "white slave" traffic, and imposing imprisonment and heavy fines upon any person importing women into this country for immoral purposes or harboring them after their arrival here, was reported from the immigration committee today. The measure is a substitute for the two bills introduced by Representatives Bennett and Sabath and intended to cover the ground of the bill prepared by Chairman Mann of the interstate-commerce committee.

A maximum penalty of ten years' imprisonment, and a fine of \$5,000 is provided for violations of the proposed law. Any alien found within a house kept for immoral purposes in this country, as manager, inmate or employe, may be deported. Any one returning to the United States following such deportation is made guilty of a misdemeanor.

The bill also covers the interstate traffic, a feature of the Mann bill, which has caused the antagonism of the democratic members of the interstate committee, on the ground of an invasion of the right of states to regulate their own morals. It prohibits as a felony the procuring of transportation from one state to another of persons for immoral purposes.

## SUN CHANN CO-RESPONDENT.

Mongolian Cashier in New York Breaks Up a White Family.

New York, Dec. 17.—Sun Chann, Mongolian cashier in a Chinese curio shop, broke up the family of a white man, Frank B. Paulsen, cashier in the auditor's office of the Mutual Life Insurance company, obtained a divorce today from his wife, Sarah. Sun Chann was named as co-respondent.

The Paulsens separated by mutual agreement a year ago and Mrs. Paulsen went to her former home at New Platz, N. Y. Her alleged infatuation with Sun Chann dated from that time, her husband said. Mrs. Paulsen denied the charges.

## A DRASTIC ANTI-STRIKE LAW.

Labor Leaders and Employers Responsible Liable to Imprisonment.

Sydney, New South Wales, Dec. 17.—Business has been so demoralized by the coal strike that the legislature today took the drastic step of passing a bill rendering both the strike leaders and employers who instigate or aid a strike or lockout, liable to a year's imprisonment.

Westport.—All the apple trees on the C. G. Taylor place, the Farms are being cut down, the only effectual way to combat the scale.

## RECORD YEAR IN INDIA RUBBER

\$62,000,000 Worth Brought Into United States—Demand Growing.

Washington, Dec. 17.—More India rubber has been imported to the United States during the past year than has ever before been recorded by the bureau of statistics of the department of commerce and labor. During the ten months ending with October, the importations of India rubber, including Balata gutta-percha and gutta-jookalons, reached the record total of \$62,000,000.

In the last twenty years the demand for India rubber has been constantly increasing. The industrial expansion of the country is held responsible. Few if any of the raw materials for which the United States depends upon a foreign nation show increases of importation to compare with those of India rubber.

## Talk of Investigation of Pennsylvania

Steel Mills and Car Shops.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Investigation of the steel mills and car shops of western Pennsylvania, where recent serious labor disturbances have occurred, will be instituted, if a resolution offered today by Representative Toner (Republican, Pennsylvania) be adopted.

The resolution provides for the appointment by the speaker of a committee of five. It was referred to the rules committee.

## President Sends Message of Condolence.

Washington, Dec. 17.—The president, through the United States embassy at Brussels, sent a telegram of condolence on the death of the king of the Belgians.

## Funeral of Rev. Dr. David C. Hughes.

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 17.—The funeral of the Rev. Dr. David C. Hughes, Governor Hughes' father, was held in the executive mansion this afternoon. The Rev. Thomas D. Anderson, pastor of the Emmanuel Baptist church of Albany, of which Governor Hughes is a member, officiated. The services were private.

The interment will take place tomorrow at Woodlawn cemetery, New York. The governor and his family and other relatives will go to the cemetery in a private funeral car.

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## Bell Company Has Nothing to Do With the Deal.

Toledo, Dec. 17.—Official announcement was made here tonight of the purchase by J. P. Morgan & company of controlling interest in the six additional independent telephone companies which will be operated exclusively by Morgan & company, and that the Bell has nothing to do with the deal.

## Two Blind Girls from the Royal Normal College for the Blind Have Given some marvelous exhibitions of roller skating, including a waltz on skates.

## Accidentally Shot and Killed His Grandmother.

St. Louis, Dec. 17.—Harry Endaley, Jr., 10 years old, today accidentally shot and killed his grandmother, Mrs. Josephine Payne. Mrs. Payne came here from her home in Kentucky to spend Christmas with Harry's parents.

Alaska has three times the placer area California had. California has produced in fifty-nine years \$1,400,000,000 in gold and Alaska will produce three times as much when properly developed.

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WOMEN'S BLACK SILK WAISTS, at \$2.89.  
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BLACK SATTEEN PETTICOATS, at 75c.  
WOMEN'S FLANNELETTE NIGHT GOWNS, at 79c.  
WOMEN'S FAST BLACK CASHMERE HOSE, at 19c a pair.  
CHILDREN'S CASHMERE HOSE, at 19c a pair.  
MEN'S INITIAL HANDKERCHIEFS, at 6c.  
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Benjamin Air Rifles, \$2.50.  
Footballs, from \$1.35.  
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Boxing Gloves, \$2.00 pair.  
Striking Bags, from \$1.25.

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Pocket Lamps, from 60c.  
Miniature Motors, 75c to \$1.50.  
Nickel Pocket Lights, \$1.50.

Razors, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00.  
Gillette Safety, \$5.00.  
Auto Strop, \$5.00.  
Ever Ready, \$1.00.  
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Razor Strops from 25c.  
Shaving Mugs, 35c, 50c.  
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